GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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RAILWAY TICKET BOOKING THROUGH POST OFFICES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the norms fixed for selecting the post offices for selling of railway tickets;

(b) whether post offices in Madhya Pradesh have also been selected;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken to prevent irregularities in booking of rail tickets?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

(a) to (d): Initially 28 Post Offices have been identified for provision of facility of issuing reserved railway tickets. These Post Offices have been identified as mutually agreed by the Ministry of Railways and Department of Posts which include Non Rail Head and remote locations sanctioned for provision of Computerised Passenger Reservation System (PRS) facility and also those suggested by Department of Posts. Since no location in the State of Madhya Pradesh was there in the list of sanctioned locations mentioned above and also Department of Posts did not propose any such location, the same was not identified for provision of this facility.

(e): Adequate safeguards have been kept in the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to avoid its misuse.